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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

Help us this day to draw closer to You so that with Your spirit, and aware of Your presence among us, we may all face the tasks of this day.

Bless the Members of the people's House. Help them to think clearly, speak confidently, and act courageously in the belief that all noble service is based upon patience, truth, and love.

Give them the wisdom and the courage to fail not their fellow citizens nor You.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. OLSON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. OLSON led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, this week, the people's House celebrates National Police Week.

We celebrate heroes like our colleague, DAVE REICHERT, who caught the Green River killer after 20 years.

We celebrate heroes like Ann Carrizales from Stafford, Texas, who was shot in the face and near her heart

and sped off at over 100 miles per hour to apprehend the thugs who shot her.

We celebrate heroes like these young teenagers from my hometown of Sugar Land, Texas, who sold lemonade for cops because blue lives matter.

We celebrate lives like Harris County Deputy Sheriff Darren Goforth, who last year was gunned down in cold blood—shot 15 times in the back of his head and his backside. He was pumping gas in his uniform with his cruiser.

Heroes like DAVE REICHERT, Ann Carrizales, Darren Goforth, and young Texans selling lemonade have a message for America: Blue lives matter.

MEDIA IGNORE RELEASE OF CRIMINAL IMMIGRANTS

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, a new report by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement reveals that last year the Obama administration released 20,000 illegal immigrants convicted of crimes into our communities. Together, they had committed 64,000 crimes, including kidnapping, homicide, drunken driving, and sexual assault.

Instead of putting the safety of Americans first, the Obama administration often gives a free pass to violent criminals who are in the United States illegally.

This report should have been national news. However, many outlets, such as the L.A. Times, Washington

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Post, and Associated Press, as well as the major television networks—ABC, NBC, and CBS—failed to cover this horrific report.

The American people deserve to know the truth about our immigration policies and the damaging consequences of the Obama administration's actions. When the national media intentionally fail to report the facts, the American people are the ones who literally suffer the consequences.

TITAN ROBOTICS FROM TRINITY SCHOOL AT GREENLAWN

(Mrs. WALORSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Titan Robotics team from Trinity School at Greenlawn in South Bend. Next week, they will travel to California to compete in the Legoland North American Open Invitational Championship.

I recently had the opportunity to speak with these students about their project, in which they were challenged to find new ways to help the environment.

They discovered that recycling labels on plastic wrappers were often hidden or unclear, making consumers less likely to recycle. After hours of research, they proposed a solution: a new label with the recycle symbol that would wrap around the plastic wrappers on the outside, making it easier to see if the product is recyclable. And they proposed a different label to inform consumers if the product is not recyclable.

Mr. Speaker, I commend these kids for their hard work and wish them the best of luck at their competition.

I also want to thank the parents, coaches, teachers, principals, and everyone in the community who supported them.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE

(Mr. HARDY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HARDY. Mr. Speaker, drug overdose is now the leading cause of accidental death in America, and prescription painkillers account for 40 percent of those 47,000 deaths.

No one debates that these powerful medications can serve an important role in pain management, but we cannot ignore the ability to entrap innocent and unintended victims. That is why we are taking steps to protect those endangered by this epidemic.

With bills passed this week, we are improving training and providing resources for medical providers and pharmacists, making sure that Federal agencies work better together, and reducing excess amounts of unused meds in the homes of patients with short-term needs so that excess medicine can

be available for those still in need instead of falling into the hands of children and family members.

There is always more we can do and will do in the future, but today is the day that America has started on the road to recovery.

HONORING MAYOR JOHN G. WARNER

(Mr. POLIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise before this body of Congress to recognize Dr. John Warner of Breckenridge, Colorado. John has served on the town council of Breckenridge for 14 years and the last 8 years as mayor.

Being mayor of one of the country's premier resort communities has its challenges, but John has guided his community through both growth and uncertainty with integrity and passion. His steadfast commitment to making the place that residents call home a better place is an inspiration to us all.

The hallmark of John's tenure was sustainability, and many important projects resulted from his efforts, like the new recycling facility, three solar projects, hybrid vehicles in the town's fleet, and a sustainability certification program for businesses.

Despite many complicated issues, John took each one with a calm assuredness and a balanced approach.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise to pay tribute to Dr. John G. Warner on behalf of the residents of the Second Congressional District and myself. His contributions to the town of Breckenridge will remain his legacy for many years to come.

HONORING SERGEANT JOHN SCHULTZ

(Mr. MCKINLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MCKINLEY. Mr. Speaker, this week is indeed National Police Week, a time to honor and commemorate the sacrifices of the courageous men and women who serve in law enforcement. They keep our communities strong and our neighborhoods safe.

Today, I want to particularly recognize Sergeant John Schultz of the Wheeling Police Department for his 20 years of service and for always putting others first.

Sergeant Schultz has not only been a proud police officer, but he has also served abroad in Desert Storm and Desert Shield. For the last 5 years, he has mentored local kids as a PRO at Wheeling Middle School.

His selfless service was evident last year when on June 2, he dove into a public pool fully clothed in boots, shoes, and weapons to successfully rescue a student who was unconscious at the bottom of the pool.

For this courageous deed and his admirable and respected career, he has been recognized by the National Association of Police Organizations for honorable mention for the prestigious TOP COPS Award.

Let's congratulate him for this honor and thank all of his law enforcement colleagues who dedicate their lives every day to the well-being of all of our fellow citizens.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S. 524, COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTION AND RECOVERY ACT OF 2016

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 725 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 725

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (S. 524) to authorize the Attorney General to award grants to address the national epidemics of prescription opioid abuse and heroin use. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. An amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the respective texts of the bills specified in section 2(a) of this resolution shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary; and (2) one motion to commit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. (a) The bills referred to in the first section of this resolution are as follows: H.R. 4641, H.R. 5046, H.R. 4063, H.R. 4985, H.R. 5048, H.R. 5052, H.R. 4843, H.R. 4978, H.R. 3680, H.R. 3691, H.R. 1818, H.R. 4969, H.R. 4586, H.R. 4599, H.R. 4976, H.R. 4982, H.R. 4981, and H.R. 1725, in each case as passed by the House.

(b) In forming the amendment in the nature of a substitute referred to in the first section of this resolution, the Clerk—

(1) shall assign appropriate designations to provisions within the amendment in the nature of a substitute;

(2) shall conform cross-references and provisions for short titles within the amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

(3) is authorized to make technical corrections within the amendment in the nature of a substitute, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, page and line numbering, section numbering, and insertion of appropriate headings.

SEC. 3. Upon passage of S. 524 the title of such bill is amended to read as follows: "To authorize the Attorney General and Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to address the national epidemics of prescription opioid abuse and heroin use, and to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes."

SEC. 4. If S. 524, as amended, is passed, then it shall be in order for the chair of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or his designee to move that the House insist on its